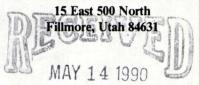


## United States Department of the Interior

#### BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT WARM SPRINGS RESOURCE AREA





IN REPLY REFER TO:

3800 UT055

May 11, 1990

DIVISION OF OIL, GAS & MINING

David L. Penny P.O. Box 312 Beaver, Utah 84713

Dear Mr. Penny,

Your notice to conduct mining related operations on your claims, Africa No. 1 and 2, Black Spot 2, 3, 4, Empirical Jasper, Little Spot and Tina's Web in T. 24 S., R. 9 W., Sections 11, 14, and 27, has been received and accepted by this office. Your notice has been assigned case file number UT-055-90-08N. Please use this number in any future correspondence concerning this notice.

If you change your operation from what is described in your notice, please contact this office prior to the change. If your operations extend for more than one year, please advise this office of the status of your mining related activity on the anniversary date of your notice.

A copy of your notice has been sent to the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining (DOGM); therefore, you will not have to file this notice with DOGM. However, reclamation under this notice is required to conform to the standards of the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act. Also, all mining claimants and operators that plan to use, store, or divert water are required by Utah statute to notify the Utah Department of Water Resources at:

1636 West North Temple Salt Lake City, Utah 84180-1203

As required by 43 CFR 3809, Surface Management Regulations, reasonable measures must be taken to prevent unnecessary or undue degradation of public lands during your operations. Please notify this office upon completion of operations and reclamation, so an inspection may be conducted on the site.

It is our preliminary opinion that the obsidian which it is your intent to mine is a common variety material and as such is not subject to location under the general mining laws, but is only available for disposal through sale. This position is based upon the results of US vs. Mansfield, 35 IBLA 95 (1978) which held that obsidian is a common variety mineral because it occurs in almost limitless quantities. It is possible that uncommon varieties of obsidian exist. In McClarty v. Secretary of the Interior, 408 F.2d 907, 908 (9th Cir. 1969), the Court set standards to distinguish between common varieties and uncommon varieties:

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 there must be a comparison of the mineral deposit in question with other deposits of such minerals generally;

2. the mineral deposit in question must have a unique property;

 the unique property must give the deposit a distinct and special value;

4. if the special value is for uses to which ordinary varieties of the mineral are put, the deposit must have some distinct and spe cial value for such use; and

5. the distinct and special value must be reflected in the market place (or in reduced cost or overhead so that the profit to the claimant would be substantially more).

The material in which you are interested has a unique property - smowflake. This unique property may give this material special value. However, this material will be used in lapidary work, which is the same use to which other obsidian is put. Therefore, for this material to be uncommon variety, it must have substantially greater value than other obsidians. We have been unable to locate conclusive evidence that this is, in fact, the case.

Should a final determination by the Department of Interior be made that this material is, in fact, "common variety", you could be responsible to the United States for the value of this material, damage to the land, and the administrative costs of recovering such compensation.

Acceptance of your notice will not now, nor in the future, serve as a determination of the validity nor ownership of any mining claim included under your notice.

Thank you for submitting your notice. If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Phil Allard at (801) 743-6811.

Sincerely,

Dave Henderson Area Manager

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cc: D. Wayne Hedberg, UDOGM
Jerry Reagan, Millard County Planning and Zoning

#### NOTICE OF 1...ENTION TO COMMENCE SMALL MINING OPERATIONS

The informational requirements of this form are based on provisions of the ined Land Reclamation Act, Title 40-8, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended, and the General Rules as promulgated under the Utah Minerals Regulatory Program.

"Small Mining Operations" means mining operations which disturb five or less surface acres at any given time.

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Total project surface acreage to be disturbed \_\_\_\_\_\_\_(acres)

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# IV. OPERATION AND RECLAMATION PRACTICES (Rule R613-003-107 & 108)

The reclamation and operation obligation is to keep the area clean and safe, minimize hazards to public safety, return the land to a useful condition, and reestablish at least 70 percent of the premining vegetative ground cover. To accomplish this, the operator will need to perform reclamation concurrently, or at the completion (within one (1) year) of mining:

- Keep the mining operation in a safe, clean, and environmentally stable condition.
- Permanently seal all shafts and tunnels to prevent unauthorized or
   Plug drill below
- 3. Plug drill holes with a five foot cement surface plug. Holes that encounter fluids are to be plugged in the subsurface to prevent aquifer contamination.
- 4. Construct berms, fences, or barriers, when needed, above highwalls
- Remove, isolate, or neutralize all toxic materials in a manner compatible with federal and state regulations.
- 6. Remove all waste or debris from stream channels.
- 7. Dispose of any trash, scrap metal, wood, machinery, and buildings.
- 8. Conduct mining activities so as to minimize erosion and control sediment.
- Reclaim all roads that are not part of a permanent transportation system.
- 10. Stockpile topsoil and suitable overburden prior to mining.
- 11. Stabilize highwalls by backfilling or rounding to 45 degrees or less, where feasible; reshape the land to near its original contour, and redistribute the topsoil and suitable overburden.
- Properly prepare seedbed to a depth of six inches by ripping, discing, or harrowing.
- 13. Reseed disturbed areas with adaptable species. (The Division recommends seeding 20 lbs./acre of native and introduced species of grass, forb, and browse seed, and will provide a specific species

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- 14. Plant the seed with a rangeland or farm drill, or if broadcast seeded, harrow or rake the seed 1/4-1/2 inch into the soil fall is the preferred time to seed. (The Division also recommends broadcast fertilization at the time of seeding of 200 lbs./acre of diammonium phosphate 18-46-0.)
- V. VARIANCE REQUEST (Rule R613-003-109)

Yes | | No | X

Any planned deviations from Rules R613-003-107, Operation Practices, R613-003-108, Hole Plugging Requirements, or R613-003-109, Reclamation Practices, as summarized above, should be identified below and justification given for the variance request(s).

Item Number	Variance Request Justification	

### VI. SIGNATURE REQUIREMENT

I hereby commit to the reclamation of the aforementioned exploration project as required by the Utah Mined Land Reclamation Act (40-8) and the rules as specified by the Board of Oil, Gas and Mining.

Signature of Operator/Applicant:

Name (typed or print):

Title/Position (if applicable):

Date:

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april 25, 1990

T OF THE INTERIOR LOGICAL SURVEY NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the undersigned located Hundred (1500) feet in length along this vein or lode containing valuable minerals. together with Three Hundred (300) feet in width on each side of the middle of said vein at the surface, and all veins, lodes, mineral and surface ground within the lines of this claim, the general course of said vein or lode running 750 feet

Nantager Ly and 750 feet Sauth or hy from the discovery monument on which this claim is posted. This claim is in the 9.11 Monument 200 Feet The above described mining daim is named TINA'S WEB Localed this 23 day of March 1990 NAMES OF LOCATORS ARTE-REFE HAQUEST OF \_\_\_\_\_\_ D. TANY CO. TECOPOER IN